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SUBJECT: TRINIDAD'S POSITION ON NON-PROLIFERATION TREATY

REF: STATE 72980

- 1. ACCORDING TO HEAD OF LEGAL DIVISION IN MIN EXTAFF (AZIZ), GOTT'S POSITION ON THE NON-PROLIFERATION TREATY (NPT) IS ONE OF WAITING TO SEE HOW THE LARGER POWERS WILL ACT ON IT. AZIZ SAID NPT IS NOT UNDER ACTIVE CONSIDERATION BY THE GOTT NOW. NOR HAS IT BEEN FOR SOME TIME.
- 2. COMMENT. OUR IMPRESSION IS THAT WHILE THE GOTT HAS NO PARTICULAR PROBLEMS WITH THE SUBSTANCE OR PURPOSES OF NPT, THE TREATY IS SEEN AS HAVING LITTLE DIRECT RELEVANCE TO T&T AND THEREFORE IS BEING GIVEN VERY LOW PRIORITY. WE ESTIMATE THAT THE GOTT WOULD BE UNLIKELY TO TAKE UP ACTIVE CONSIDERATION OF NPT UNLESS AND UNTIL 1) MOST OF THE LARGER POWERS ADHERED OR 2) THERE WAS A RUSH AMONG THIRD WORLD COUNTRIES TO SIGN. WE THEREFORE BELIEVE THAT A DIRECT APPROACH TO GOTT BY US TO URGE NPT ADHERENCE WOULD NOT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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RPT NOT BE HELPFUL, ALTHOUGH SUCH EFFORTS BY RESPECTED THIRD WORLD COUNTRIES MIGHT POSSIBLY HELP NUDGE GOTT IN RIGHT DIRECTION.

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